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**PATENT**  
Dkt. P1569US01**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **Nikki M. Bruner and John E. Young**  
Assignee: **SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY LLC**  
Application No.: **10/087,130** Group No.: **2133**  
Filed: **February 28, 2002** Examiner: **Joseph Torres**  
For: **EMULATION SYSTEM FOR EVALUATING DIGITAL DATA CHANNEL  
CONFIGURATIONS**

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	=	\$ 0.00	
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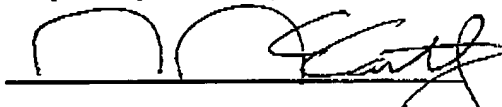
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Application No.: 10 /087,130 First Named Applicant: Nikki M. Bruner  
Examiner: Joseph Torres Art Unit: 2133 Status of Application: Pending

**Tentative Participants:**

(1) Examiner Joseph Torres (2) Supervisor Albert Decady  
(3) Mitchell K. McCarthy (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date of Interview: To be determined by Examiner after consideration of Amendment Proposed Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (AM/PM)

**Type of Interview Requested:**

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Showed or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO  
If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Shikakura '182</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

Restriction requirement is not substantiated; independent claims are allowable over art of record.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_.

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